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Agreed Procedures for U. S. Participation in NATO

Standing Group Intelligence Estimate

The attached documents setting forth the "Agreed Procedures" for U. S. participation in the NATO Standing Group Intelligence Estimate are forwarded for information.

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OSD, DIA AND JCS review(s) completed.

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23 August 1958

Honorable Donald A. Quarles  
The Deputy Secretary of Defense  
Department of Defense  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Don:

Thank you for your letter of 15 August, transmitting  
the "Agreed Procedures" for U. S. participation in the  
NATO Standing Group Intelligence Estimate.

I have approved the statement of understanding and  
it is returned herewith.

Sincerely,

/s/

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

Washington

15 August 1958

Dear Allen:

Attached is a statement of "Agreed Procedures" under which, with the assistance of the Intelligence Advisory Committee, you would support the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the execution of their responsibility in regard to the Standing Group Intelligence Estimate. This paper was developed under the guidelines reached at our meeting of 7 March 1958. I am satisfied that it follows those guidelines, and will serve a useful purpose, not only in solving the instant problem of U. S. support to the Standing Group, but also in providing a precedent under which the Intelligence Advisory Committee can advise and assist the Joint Chiefs of Staff, when they deem it appropriate, in the execution of their military responsibilities pertaining to their intelligence relationships with the military authorities of other countries. Accordingly I have signed the statement of understanding and am sending it to you for your signature, if you agree with the procedures as set forth.

Upon receipt of your acceptance of the inclosure as the basis for your support to the Joint Chiefs of Staff in respect to the Standing Group Estimate, the Deputy Director for Intelligence, Joint Staff, as the representative of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will proceed with implementation of that document. As the first step, you may expect a request for comment on draft terms of reference.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

DONALD A. QUARLES  
Deputy

Honorable Allen Dulles  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency

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AGREED PROCEDURES FOR U. S. PARTICIPATION IN  
NATO STANDING GROUP INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATE

In the preparation of the subject estimate, it is agreed that the following principles and procedures shall govern the relationships between the Department of Defense and the, Joint Chiefs of Staff on the one hand and the Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) and the Intelligence Advisory Committee (IAC)\* on the other:

1. The Joint Chiefs of Staff shall be responsible for prescribing the scope, format and outline of the estimate and for establishing appropriate deadlines for its completion. The Joint Chiefs of Staff shall consult with the Director of Central Intelligence prior to final determination of these items.
2. The first draft of the U. S. Position Paper will be prepared by the Joint Staff and shall be reviewed and modified as appropriate by a working group including representatives of the Director of Central Intelligence, of the Department of State, of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and of the military departments. Applicable National Intelligence Estimates, supplemented by contributions from interested agencies represented on the Intelligence Advisory Committee, shall form the basis for this draft. The draft will then be coordinated with U. S. intelligence agencies in the manner employed for National Intelligence Estimates.
3. The coordinated draft shall be acted upon by the Intelligence Advisory Committee. The Estimate as accepted by the IAC shall be reviewed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff; upon approval by them it shall become the U. S. Position Paper for the guidance of the U. S. representative on such Standing Group body as is designated to prepare the Estimate. Any disagreement by the Joint Chiefs of Staff with substantive content of the IAC approved Estimate shall be resolved by direct discussion between the Director of Central Intelligence and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

\* It is understood that the U. S. Intelligence Board will be substituted herein when it replaces the IAC.

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5. The draft Standing Group Intelligence Estimate, when completed, shall be transmitted to the Intelligence Advisory Committee. Comments and recommendations of the Intelligence Advisory Committee will then be forwarded to the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Joint Chiefs of Staff, after consideration of comments and recommendations of the IAC and the U. S. representative, Standing Group, NATO, shall take the appropriate further action.

**APPROVED:**

/s/

Deputy Secretary of Defense

/s/

Director of Central Intelligence

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